

MERRILL S. PARKS, JR., FEDERAL BUILDING

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APRIL 13, 2000.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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Mr. SHUSTER, from the Committee on Transportation and  
Infrastructure, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 1571]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 1571) to designate the Federal building under construction at 600 State Street in New Haven, Connecticut, as the “Merrill S. Parks, Jr., Federal Building”, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

Merrill Parks was born in 1944 in Tennessee. After serving as a Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps, he received his B.S. Degree from Memphis State University. Agent Parks began his career with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in 1970, with general criminal investigation assignments in Butte, Montana. From 1971 until 1979 he served in the New York Division investigating organized crime violations. Agent Parks was subsequently promoted as a Supervisory Agent.

As an expert in Organized Crime, Agent Parks was reassigned to FBI Headquarters in Washington, DC and managed the FBI’s national program identifying organized crime infiltration into legitimate businesses.

In 1982, Parks was appointed as Chief of the FBI’s first Drug Unit. After numerous promotions and assignments, Agent Parks was appointed the FBI’s first representative to the White House domestic Policy Advisory Board regarding narcotics. From 1994 until his death, Agent Parks served as Special Agent in Charge of FBI operations for the State of Connecticut.

This is a fitting honor to a dedicated public servant.

## COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

On April 11, 2000, the Committee met in open session and ordered reported H.R. 1571, designating the Federal building under construction at 600 State Street in New Haven, Connecticut, as the “Merrill S. Parks, Jr., Federal Building”, discharged from the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Transportation. There were no recorded votes taken during Committee consideration of H.R. 1571.

## RECORD VOTES

Clause 3(b) of rule XIII of the House of Representatives requires each committee report to include the total number of votes cast for and against on each record vote on a motion to report and on any amendment offered to the measure or matter, and the names of those members voting for and against. There were no recorded votes taken in connection with ordering H.R. 1571 reported. A motion by Mr. Franks to order H.R. 1571 favorably reported to the House was agreed to by voice vote, a quorum being present.

## COST OF THE LEGISLATION

Clause 3(d)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives does not apply where a cost estimate and comparison prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office under section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 has been timely submitted prior to the filing of the report and is included in the report. Such a cost estimate is included in this report.

## COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XIII

1. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, and section 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee references the report of the Congressional Budget Office below.

2. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(4) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee has received no report of oversight findings and recommendations from the Committee on Government Reform on the subject of H.R. 1571.

3. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee has received the following cost estimate for H.R. 1571 from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

U.S. CONGRESS,  
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,  
*Washington, DC, April 12, 2000.*

Hon. BUD SHUSTER,  
*Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed the following bills, which were ordered reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on April 11, 2000. CBO estimates that their enactment would have no significant impact on the federal budget, and would not affect direct

spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. The legislation contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local or tribal governments. The bills reviewed are:

- H.R. 1405, a bill to designate the federal building located at 143 West Liberty Street, Medina, Ohio, as the “Donald J. Pease Federal Building;”
- H.R. 1571, a bill to designate the federal building under construction at 600 State Street in New Haven, Connecticut, as the “Merrill S. Parks, Jr., Federal Building;”
- H.R. 1729, a bill to designate the federal facility located at 1301 Emmet Street in Charlottesville, Virginia, as the “Pamela B. Gwin Hall;” and
- H.R. 1901, a bill to designate the United States border station located in Pharr, Texas, as the “Kika de la Garza United States Border Station.”

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is John R. Righter.

Sincerely,

STEVEN LIEBERMAN  
(For Dan L. Crippen, Director).

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 3(d)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, committee reports on a bill or joint resolution of a public character shall include a statement citing the specific powers granted to the Congress in the Constitution to enact the measure. The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure finds that Congress has the authority to enact this measure pursuant to its powers granted under article I, section 8 of the Constitution.

